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SUBJECT: PRG ISSUE AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE-BAMBIAN

CREDENTIALS PROBLEM

- 1. AMB EBOU MOMAR TAAL, THE GAMBIAN AMB IN BRUSSELS, HAS ARRIVED IN GENEVA FOR THE LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE. HOWEVER, HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY CREDENTIALS.
- 2. EMB SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE GAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY IN BANJUL AND URGE THEM TO SEND A TELEGRAM TODAY TO THE SECGEN, DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW, INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND. THE CABLE SHOULD STATE THAT THE AMB WILL REPRESENT GAMBIA AT THE SECOND SESSION OF THE DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON HUMANITARIAN LAW AND THAT FORMAL CREDENTIALS WILL FOLLOW.
- 3. ACCORDING TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, FORMAL CREDITIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECGEN OF THE CONFERENCE, IF POSSIBLE, NOT LATER THAN CONFIDENTIAL

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48 HOURS AFTER THE OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE. (A

TELEGRAM IS INSUFFICIENT.) CREDENTIALS MUST BE SIGNED EITHER BY THE HEAD OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT OR BY THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. THE CREDENTIALS MAY SIMPLY BE A LETTER SIGNED BY ONE OF THESE LISTED OFFICIALS, AUTHORIZING AMB TAAL TO REPRESENT GAMBIA AT THE DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON THE REAFFIRMATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL LAW APPLICABLE IN ARMED CONFLICTS CONVENED BY THE SWISS GOV'T IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND. YOU SHOULD DO YOUR UTMOST TO HAVE THE CREDENTIALS ARRIVE HERE WITHIN 48 HRS, OR ASAP AFTER THAT. IF U.S. POUCH IS QUICKER THAN GAMBIAN POUCH OR REGISTERED SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL, WE RECOMMEND YOU OFFER TO HELP IN TRANSMITTING CREDENTIALS. DALE

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